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Attorney General John Ashcroft
U.S. Department of Justice
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Dear Attorney General Ashcroft,

I am disappointed at the delays arising from more talk and less action about the Microsoft settlement. I cannot understand how a few special interests can manage to clog up the process indefinitely. To me, the settlement is demonstratively fair, and if anything, it is unfairly castigatory to Microsoft.

Microsoft is already abiding by the terms, and has been since December 16th, so I'm sure that we'll get to see the influence of the settlement soon. This means that the even though the settlement hasn't been enacted, even while Microsoft's competitors benefit from such measures as interface decisions and licensing changes, they can still actively work to destroy Microsoft altogether in fits of jealousy.

It is obvious that this charade has gone on long enough. The government must stop action at the federal level. Now that the proverbial cat is out of the bag, and Microsoft is already giving up its intellectual property, the company should be allowed to return to business.

Sincerely,

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